



04.25.05

PATENT  
450100-4811

AF 2616

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Takashi Honda  
Serial No. : 09/271,502  
Filed : March 18, 1999  
For : RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND  
RECORDING/REPRODUCING METHOD  
Examiner : Tran, Thai Q.  
Art Unit : 2616

745 Fifth Avenue  
New York, NY 10151

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

**Claims as Amended**

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	22	Minus	53 =	0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$0.00
Independent claims	5	Minus	12 =	0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$0.00
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$0.00

- \* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.  
\*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  
\*\*\* If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$280(140) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Mailing Label Number: EV 723363064 US

Date of Deposit: April 22, 2005

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to:  
Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450,  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

FROMMER LAWRENCE & HAUG LLP  
Attorneys for Applicant

*Thomas F. Presson*  
By: Thomas F. Presson  
Reg. No. 41,442  
Tel. (212) 588-0800

*Charles Jackson*

(Typed or printed name of person mailing paper or fee)

*Charles Jackson*

(Signature of person mailing paper or fee)



PATENT  
450100-4811

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Takashi Honda  
Serial No. : 09/271,502  
For : RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS  
AND RECORDING/REPRODUCING METHOD  
Filed : March 18, 1999  
Examiner : Tran, Thai Q.  
Art Unit : 2616  
Confirmation No : 4228

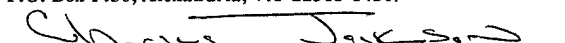
745 Fifth Avenue  
New York, NY 10151

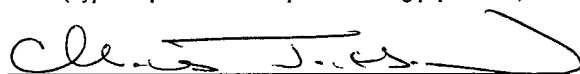
EXPRESS MAIL

Mailing Label Number: EV 723363064 US

Date of Deposit: April 22, 2005

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: **Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.**

  
(Typed or printed name of person mailing paper or fee)

  
(Signature of person mailing paper or fee)

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on March 23, 2005, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on June 23, 2005, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-captioned application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.